

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

*PILGRIMAGE IN THE STEPS OF ST. PAUL TO*  
**GREECE & TURKEY**

**12 DAYS: MAY 20 - 31, 2024**

*Visiting*

ATHENS \* CORINTH \* DELPHI \* KALAMBAKA  
THESSALONIKI \* KAVALA \* CANAKKALE \* PERGAMUM  
IZMIR \* PAMUKKALE \* EPHEBUS \* ISTANBUL

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(Air/land tour price is \$3499 plus \$460 government taxes/airline surcharges)



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## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ◆ Round trip airfare from New York
- ◆ \$460 government taxes & airline surcharges
- ◆ Accommodations at first class/select hotels based on two persons sharing in twin-bedded rooms with private bath
- ◆ Breakfast and dinner daily
- ◆ Services of a professional English-speaking guide
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing
- ◆ All admission fees and hotel service charges
- ◆ Transfers to/from airports by private motorcoach including meeting/assistance

*Parthenon ~ Athens*



*White Tower ~ Thessaloniki*



*Hanging Monasteries ~ Meteora*



## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### **NEW YORK/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC**

#### **MONDAY, MAY 20**

Depart today from New York on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight. Your adventure begins!

### **ARRIVE ATHENS**

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 21**

Arrive in Athens where you will be met and escorted to your motorcoach for transfer to your hotel. **(D)**

### **ATHENS/CORINTH/ATHENS**

#### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 22**

Early this morning, depart for Corinth, where Paul was centrally located for his ministry. The vigorous Gentile Church that he founded here in 50 AD prompted him to write at least two letters to them. Visit the ancient ruins of the city where Paul worked with Priscilla and Aquila. See the remains of the first century shops, the agora where Paul's trial by Gallio took place, the Fountain of Peirene, the Temple of Apollo, and the Bema.

This afternoon, embark on a tour of Athens where you will see the Royal Palace, the Stadium and Temple of Zeus, the Theatre of Dionysius and the Agora (marketplace) where Paul spoke and Socrates' prison. Visit Mars Hill and the Acropolis with the famous Parthenon. **(B,D)**

### **ATHENS/DELPHI/KALAMBAKA**

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 23**

Depart Athens this morning and drive on the national highway through Thebes, Levadia and the picturesque village of Arachova to Delphi. Visit the archeological site in Delphi which has the Temple of Apollo, the Tholos, the theater, the stadium, the Treasuries of the Athenians and the Syphnias. Also visit the Castalian Spring and the Delphi Museum to see the famous Bronze Charioteer and other statues. Afterwards, drive to Kalambaka for the night. **(B,D)**

### **KALAMBAKA/VERIA/THESSALONIKI**

#### **FRIDAY, MAY 24**

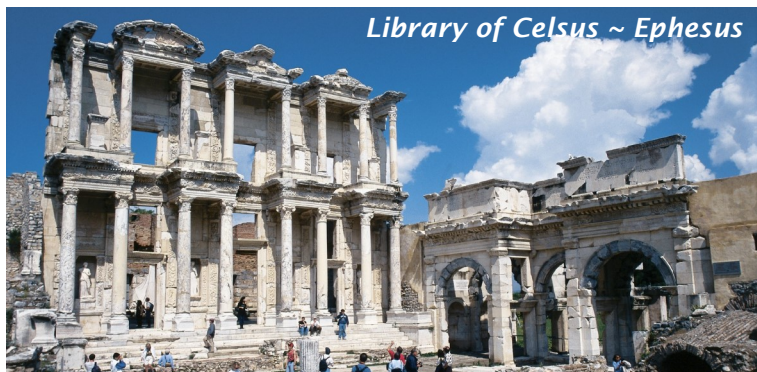
Today, depart for Meteora to view the "Hanging Monasteries". These impressive ancient monasteries are suspended between earth and sky, atop huge granite rocks. Drive through the beautiful countryside of Northern Greece and visit Veria (Ancient Berea) and continue on to Thessaloniki. Paul preached in Thessaloniki during the winters of 50-49 AD and wrote epistles to the ancient Thessalonians. See the ramparts of the city, the triumphal Arch of Galerius starting the Via Egnatia, once a strategic artery of the Roman Empire, and the seafront promenade with the White Tower. Overnight in Thessaloniki. **(B,D)**

### **THESSALONIKI/PHILIPPI/KAVALA**

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 25**

Today, continue your tour of Thessaloniki, with a visit to the Roman Market, Theater, and Baths. Jason's House is now called the Church of Agios Nikolaos Orfanos. The site where the monastery of Vlatodon was built is believed to be the location where Jason's house once stood and where Paul was accommodated during his visit to Thessaloniki. Next, drive to Philippi where Paul delivered his first sermon in Europe, sowing the seeds of Christianity.





*Library of Celsus ~ Ephesus*

Here is where Paul baptized Lydia as the first Christian convert in Europe. The Roman forum, completely excavated, is from after Paul's time. Among the ruins, located on the rocky ledge above the town's main road is the prison where Paul and Silas were confined. Continue into the modern port city of Kavala, ancient Neapolis, where Paul first set foot in Europe accompanied by Silas, Luke, and Timothy. Spend the night in Kavala. **(B,D)**

#### **KAVALA/TROY/CANAKKALE**

##### **SUNDAY, MAY 26**

This morning cross into Turkey and drive through the First World War Battlefields of Gallipoli. Cross by ferry to the Asia Minor side. Continue to the ancient city of Troy, with its four thousand year old history recalling the epic struggle of the Iliad. Travel to Canakkale for the night. **(B,D)**

#### **CANAKKALE/PERGAMUM/IZMIR**

##### **MONDAY, MAY 27**

Today, drive to Pergamum (modern day Bergama) and visit one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. Here, view the ancient ruins of the famous temples dedicated to the healing gods of Asklepios and Serapis, along with the Acropolis, the Temple of Athens, and the Trojan Temple. This city was considered diabolical by early Christians because of the many pagan temples located here. Then continue to Izmir, ancient Smyrna, and one of the Seven Churches of Revelation. Smyrna is hidden under modern Izmir, but you will view the archeological remains of the Agora. **(B,D)**

#### **IZMIR/SARDIS/PHILADELPHIA/LAODICEA/COLOSSAE/PAMUKKALE**

##### **TUESDAY, MAY 28**

This morning drive to Sardis, site of a Third Church of Revelation. Visit the Temple of Artemis, the recently constructed gymnasium and the largest Synagogue in Asia Minor. Continue to ancient Philadelphia, also one of the Seven Churches of Revelation and see the remaining walls. On to Laodicea, another one of the Seven Churches of Revelation and then to Colossae. End in Pamukkale. **(B,D)**

#### **PAMUKKALE/HIERAPOLIS/EPHESUS/ISTANBUL**

##### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 29**

This morning, visit the ruins of Hierapolis and the natural pools. Next, drive through the meandering Valley to Ephesus, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World and the First Church of Revelation. Ephesus was the capital of Roman Asia Minor and Paul preached and taught here for over two years. View the magnificent harbor and the great amphitheatre, which seated nearly 25,000 people. See the Marble Street, the Library of Celsius, a gym-



*Istanbul ~ Turkey*

nasium and the Temple of Hadrian. You will also see the Temple of Diana, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World and the site of the scene of religious riots. St. Paul founded the Church here and was also imprisoned in Ephesus. Also visit the Basilica of St. John, whose later life and death are associated with Ephesus and the House of the Virgin Mary. Following this tour, transfer to the Izmir airport for an early evening flight to Istanbul. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for the night. **(B,D)**

#### **ISTANBUL**

##### **THURSDAY, MAY 30**

Today, your sightseeing of Istanbul today will include a visit to the Topkapi Palace, home of the Ottoman Sultans with visits to the Treasury containing jewel encrusted thrones, the world's largest emerald and the famous Topkapi Dagger. Then, on to St. Sophia, originally a Christian Basilica conceived by Constantine and rebuilt by Justinian, turned into a Mosque in 1453, and in 1920 made into a museum by Ataturk for all to enjoy regardless of creed. You will also see the legendary Blue Mosque with its six minarets and dome of 109 feet. Next, visit the Archaeological Museum which houses the sarcophagus of Alexander the Great and other Biblical artifacts. Finally, stop at the Grand Bazaar, a labyrinth of over 4,000 shops displaying everything from souvenirs in copper and onyx to precious jewelry, antiques and Oriental carpets. Overnight in Istanbul. **(B,D)**

#### **ISTANBUL/NEW YORK**

##### **FRIDAY, MAY 31**

This morning, transfer to the airport for our flight home. We arrive in New York, today with wonderful memories of a fantastic voyage! **(B)**

**(B) ~ Breakfast**

**(D) ~ Dinner**



*Blue Mosque ~ Istanbul*

### **PAYMENT SCHEDULE:**

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit.

- A \$500 deposit is due with your reservation
- Final payment is due at NAWAS 100 days prior to departure date

### **TOUR-SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

**For terms and conditions please visit:**  
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Taxes/Airline Surcharges: In effect on February 14, 2023.

Hotel Service Charges/Taxes: In effect on February 14, 2023  
(excluding hotel tourist taxes).

Airfare: In effect on February 14, 2023.

Land Costs: Based on estimated 2024 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on February 14, 2023 and a minimum of 32 or more participants per coach.

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# 12 DAYS GREECE & TURKEY IN THE STEPS OF ST. PAUL

## ◆ RESERVATION FORM ◆

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**

**MAIL TO:** New England Catholic Biblical School  
 Attn: Judith Kostelni  
 467 Bloomfield Avenue  
 Bloomfield, CT 06002  
 Tel: (860) 242-5576 (Office)  
 Email: Judy.kostelni@aohct.org

**ACCOMMODATIONS DESIRED:**

- ☐ double room sharing with \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ single room (\$1000 extra per person)  
*(Single Rooms are limited and available on a first come, first served basis)*

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as  
 Deposit (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)

**Please include a clear photocopy of your Passport with this Reservation Form  
 Clearly print your full name (last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport:**

**Passenger #1**

**Name:**Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check ☐ Male ☐ Female

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Issued:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Expires:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (day/month/year) (day/month/year)

**Date of Birth:**           
 MONTH DAY YEAR

**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Country of Citizenship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger #2**

**Name:**Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last \_\_\_\_\_  
 First \_\_\_\_\_  
 Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender: Please check ☐ Male ☐ Female

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Passport #:** \_\_\_\_\_

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 Signature Passenger # 1

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 Date

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 Signature Passenger # 2

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 Date